



City of Santa Barbara

PRE-APPLICATION REVIEW TEAM

SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

(Formerly the Development Review Committee (DRC))

The following types of projects require PRT review:

- Tentative Subdivision Maps
- Development Plans for additions of 3,000 s.f. or more
- New Condominiums
- Conditional Certificate of Compliance
- Condominium Conversions
- Annexations

REFERENCE ORDINANCES REQUIRING PRT (DRC): SBMC§27.07.070 and/or §28.87.300

The PRT review is available and may also be recommended for the following types of projects: Lot Line Adjustment; Change of Use Permit; Coastal Development Permit (CDP); Conditional Use Permit (CUP); other Planning Commission applications.

PRT Review is a pre-application concept review meeting with City Staff from various City departments. Although this is a conceptual review of a project, providing as much detailed information as possible aids Staff in preparing a more thorough response.

NOTE: Prior to submittal for PRT, a concept staff review should take place either at the public counter or in an informal meeting with staff.

It is highly recommended that you review all relevant information on the project site**. Information available to the public for review includes:

- Street and Planning Files at the Community Development Department or online**
- Archive Plans located in the Records Division
- Topography Maps and Utility Atlas located at the Public Works Counter
- Flood and Earthquake Fault Maps located at the Community Development Department
- Liquefaction Zone Maps and High Fire Area Maps located at the Community Development Department
- Special District Maps located at the Community Development Department

The following must be supplied before the project can be scheduled for PRT:

1. Completed Master Application form shall include

- ☐ Project Address
- ☐ Assessor's Parcel Number(s) and Land Use Zone(s)
- ☐ Existing use(s)
- ☐ Complete Project Description (detailed description in letter)
- ☐ Approval(s) requested
- ☐ Proposed use(s)
- ☐ Owner and Agent - Name, Address (include Zip Code) & Phone Number - give a numbered address [not "the corner of..."]
- ☐ Square footage, number of existing and proposed structures, number of existing and proposed units
- ☐ Lot size
- ☐ Signature of Applicant/Agent

2. Letter from applicant

MUST include a description of the project, in concept, including but not limited to:

- ☐ Uses of existing and proposed structures
- ☐ Square footages of existing and proposed structures
- ☐ Demolition or removal of any structures
- ☐ Site square footage and acreage
- ☐ Removal of any existing trees or significant vegetation
- ☐ Relevant drainage information
- ☐ Parking and landscaping statistics
- ☐ Proposed grading to occur with cut and fill given in cubic yards of soil
- ☐ Any additional pertinent information (e.g. number of bedrooms, number of restaurant seats)
- ☐ Justification of project including background and reasons
- ☐ Discretionary approval being sought (i.e., "I am seeking a Conditional Use Permit and need Planning Commission approval.")
- ☐ Indicate the significant issues and problems as you understand them
- ☐ Information about previous contact with City Staff or Committees and conclusions drawn

3. Site Plan or Tentative Map

(Ten (10) sets of plans folded to 8 ½" x 11" and attached). Plans must be a **minimum** of 18" x 24" and each set must include the following:

a. Site Plan or Tentative Map

- ☐ Legend
 - Land Use Zone
 - County Assessor's Parcel Number(s)
 - Slope of property as defined in SBMC§28.15.080
 - Existing, required and proposed parking space(s). Clearly indicate whether it is covered or uncovered.
 - Scope of work
 - Site statistics showing both square footages and percentage of coverage of building, landscaping and paved areas for proposed uses
 - Gross **and** net square footages for each existing, demolished, and proposed unit(s)/building(s)
 - For Subdivisions ONLY, include slope, gross **and** net square footages for each proposed new lot(s)
 - Multi-residential density calculation; include number of bedrooms per unit (*if applicable*)
- ☐ Vicinity Map
- ☐ Site Plan Details
 - North arrow
 - Scale of drawing
 - Site topography
 - Location of all existing and proposed structure(s) and use(s)
 - Location of all existing, demolished, and proposed parking
 - Dimensions of the property and all building(s), structure(s), and parking

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b. Conceptual Elevation(s) (*optional*):

- ☐ Label each elevation
- ☐ Scale of drawing
- ☐ Views from all sides of the building(s) involved in the project; clearly indicate all existing, demolished and proposed new work
- ☐ Heights of building(s) and structures involved in the project as defined by SBMC§28.04.100
- ☐ Identify both existing and finished grades

4. Fees

Fees are to be paid in the amount indicated on the Fee Resolution adopted by the City Council.

5. Submittal Deadline

Complete applications submitted by Friday at 4:30 p.m. are generally scheduled for the next review period. Note: There is generally a limitation in the number of projects that can be reviewed, DART projects will take precedence over PRT applications; therefore, on a first come first served basis, the review schedule may be longer. Failure to submit a complete application as outlined in the requirements above may result in postponement of the application.

6. Review Process

Once a project is assigned and scheduled, the following activities occur:

- ☐ A combined staff site visit shall be conducted on Thursday.
- ☐ A combined staff letter, summarizing staff comments, will be sent to the applicant following City staff review (typically within four weeks from the initial application scheduling.)
- ☐ Subsequent to the staff letter, a meeting between the applicant and select staff to discuss staff comments will be scheduled on the following Tuesday.

****NOTES:**

- *Questions regarding application submittal requirements and process can be answered at the Planning and Zoning counter at 630 Garden St. at (805) 564-5578.*
- **It is important that you research the project site prior to submitting an application.**
- *Information such as the 1) Santa Barbara Municipal Code, 2) handouts, 3) guidelines, 4) street and 5) planning files (a.k.a. LDT record archives), 6) parcel and 7) case information, is available online at <http://www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov> under the Government, Residents or Business tabs at the top of the screen.*
- *When developing your proposal, ALWAYS refer to the actual Zoning Ordinance for the most complete and detailed information. As a rule of thumb, we recommend that the following sections in the Zoning Ordinance also be reviewed carefully for additional information: Definitions (S.B.M.C. §28.04), General Provisions (S.B.M.C. §28.87), and the Automobile Parking Requirements (S.B.M.C. §28.90). Additionally, the history of the property needs to be researched; this includes reviewing the archive plans, and street and planning files. Please note that outstanding violations identified in pending enforcement cases and Zoning Information Reports must be addressed either prior to or as part of your application. This will be determined on a case-by-case basis.*
- *For subdivisions, confirm General Plan consistency and minimum lot size (including slope density when applicable).*
- *Street and planning files (a.k.a. LDT record archives), and archived plans are located at the Records and Archives counter (at 630 Garden St. (805) 564-5554). Please note that requests to view archived plans are on an appointment basis. Copies of the Zoning Ordinance may be purchased at the City Clerk's Office at City Hall (at 735 Anacapa St. (805) 564-5309).*